

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-02665-ABJ**

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS v. BUREAU OF LAND  
MANAGEMENT  
Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 12/13/2017  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
12/13/2017	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5246495) filed by WILDEARTH GUARDIANS. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Attorney General Summons, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney Civil Process Clerk Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons Bureau of Land Management Summons)(Wilcox, Stuart) (Entered: 12/13/2017)
12/13/2017	<u>2</u>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by WILDEARTH GUARDIANS. (Wilcox, Stuart) (Entered: 12/13/2017)
12/13/2017		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (jd) (Entered: 12/15/2017)
12/15/2017	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(jd) (Entered: 12/15/2017)
01/05/2018	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Damon William Taaffe on behalf of BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 01/05/2018)
01/17/2018	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 12/26/2017. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 1/25/2018. (Wilcox, Stuart) (Entered: 01/17/2018)
01/22/2018	<u>6</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 01/22/2018)
01/22/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>6</u> Motion for Extension of Time to Answer. Defendant must file a responsive pleading by February 8, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 1/22/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 01/22/2018)
02/08/2018	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint, by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.(Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 02/08/2018)
02/09/2018	<u>8</u>	ORDER. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before March 9, 2018. See Order for details. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 2/9/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 02/09/2018)
03/12/2018	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Patricia K. McBride on behalf of BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 03/12/2018)
03/13/2018	<u>10</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Leave to File <i>Late File Defendant's Status Report</i> by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Defendant's Status Report, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 03/13/2018)
03/14/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>10</u> Motion for Leave to File. The Clerk of Court is directed to file [10-1] defendant's status report on the docket. Defendant must complete its search by March 16, and it must complete its initial production of documents by March 30, 2018. The parties must file a joint status report by April 13, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 3/14/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 03/14/2018)
03/14/2018	<u>11</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (jf) (Entered: 03/19/2018)
04/13/2018	<u>12</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 04/13/2018)
04/16/2018	<u>13</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kelly E. Nokes on behalf of WILDEARTH GUARDIANS (Nokes, Kelly) (Main Document 13 replaced on 4/17/2018) (jf). (Entered: 04/16/2018)

04/17/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court enters a schedule in accordance with either party's proposal, defendant must inform the Court by May 1, 2018 how many pages it anticipates it can process per month. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 4/17/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
04/18/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's notice to the Court regarding number of pages it can process per month due by 5/1/2018. (tb) (Entered: 04/18/2018)
04/27/2018	<u>14</u>	NOTICE by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 04/27/2018)
05/04/2018		MINUTE ORDER. A Status Conference in this case is been scheduled for 5/10/2018 at 11:00 AM (EDT) in Courtroom 3 before Judge Amy Berman Jackson. Counsel for Plaintiff will be allowed to appear by telephone and will be advised by email of the dial in number and procedures by the Court's Deputy Clerk. SO ORDERED. By Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/4/2018. (jth) (Entered: 05/04/2018)
05/10/2018		Minute Entry for proceeding held before Judge Amy Berman Jackson: Status Conference held on 5/10/2018. Status Report from the parties is due by 5/17/2018. (Court Reporter: Janice Dickman) (jth) (Entered: 05/10/2018)
05/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Plaintiff must inform the Court by May 17, 2018 whether it has narrowed its Freedom of Information Act request given the volume of documents involved, and whether it has been informed, after conferring with the defense, that its action has reduced the number of responsive pages. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/10/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 05/10/2018)
05/17/2018	<u>15</u>	STATUS REPORT by WILDEARTH GUARDIANS. (Wilcox, Stuart) (Entered: 05/17/2018)
05/18/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must continue to process a minimum of 1,000 pages per month, but it must make its best effort to process more pages each month if possible. Defendant must file a status report on June 18, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 5/18/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 05/18/2018)
06/13/2018	<u>16</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE as to BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. Attorney Patricia K. McBride terminated. (McBride, Patricia) (Entered: 06/13/2018)
06/18/2018	<u>17</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 06/18/2018)
06/19/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by July 20, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 6/19/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 06/19/2018)
07/19/2018	<u>18</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/23/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by August 20, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 7/23/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 07/23/2018)
08/20/2018	<u>19</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 08/20/2018)
08/21/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by September 20, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 8/21/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 08/21/2018)
09/18/2018	<u>20</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Kelly E. Nokes (Nokes, Kelly) (Entered: 09/18/2018)
09/20/2018	<u>21</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 09/20/2018)
09/20/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by October 22, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 9/20/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 09/20/2018)

10/22/2018	<u>22</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 10/22/2018)
10/22/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by November 21, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 10/22/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 10/22/2018)
11/20/2018	<u>23</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 11/20/2018)
11/21/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by December 20, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/21/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
12/18/2018	<u>24</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 12/18/2018)
12/18/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by January 22, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 12/18/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 12/18/2018)
01/30/2019	<u>25</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Taaffe, Damon) (Entered: 01/30/2019)
01/31/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by February 28, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 1/31/2019. (lcabj2) (Entered: 01/31/2019)
02/15/2019	<u>26</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Christopher Charles Hair on behalf of All Defendants (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 02/15/2019)
02/28/2019	<u>27</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 02/28/2019)
03/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by March 28, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 3/1/2019. (lcabj2) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/28/2019	<u>28</u>	STATUS REPORT by BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 03/28/2019)
04/02/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Defendant must file another status report by April 30, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 4/2/2019. (lcabj2) (Entered: 04/02/2019)